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SUBJ: PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT TO PHILLIPPINE BUREAU OF

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- 1. EXIMBANK SENT EMBASSY COPIES OF OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE ON REFERENCED SUBJECT DATED MAY 31, 1973, AUGUST 10, 1973, AND DECEMBER 7, 1973, WHICH CLEARLY EXPLAIN EXIMBANK IS POSITION.
- 2. IN SUMMARY, EXIMBANK ISSUED PC 2059 TO ITT EXPORT CORPORATION TO SUPPORT ITS BID FOR THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, PHASE II. EXIMBANK OFFERED FINANCING FOR 90 PER CENT OF U.S. COSTS OF DOLS 10 MILLIO BY MEANS OF A LOAN AND GUARANTEE. FINANCING WOULD BE REPYABLE IN 20 SEMIANNUALS STARTING 6 MONTHS FROM COMPLETION BUT NOT LATER THAN NOVEMBER 10, 1976. THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILLIPPINES IS REQUIRED IS GUARANTOR.
- 3. THE U.S. COSTS INCLUDE WIRE AND CABLE, HARDWARE, SEMISTANDARD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EQUIPMENT AND SERVICE VEHICLES. ITT EXPORT CORPORATION IS WORKING IN

CONJUNCTION WITH ITT-PHILIPPINES AND OTHER ITT SUBSIDIARIES FOR THE OVERALL PROJECT WHICH IS EXPECTED TO COST ABOUT DOLS 40 MILLION.

- 4. EXIMBANK HAS ALSO RECEIVED A NUMBER OF INQUIRIES FROM SUPPLIERS REGARDING ITS COVERAGE OF THIS PROJECT. EXIMBANK'S POLICY IS NOT REPEAT NOT TO DISCLOSE THE NAME OF THE RECIPIENT OF THE PRELIMINARY COMMITMENT IN DEFERENCE TO THE COMPETITIVE SITUATION.
- 5. EXIMBANK WOULD APPRECIATE IF EMBASSY WOULD FORWARD COPY OF RECENT GOVERNMENTAL STUDY ON INTEGRATING AND MODERNIZING TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES IF AVAILABLE. REPORTEDLY, THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF STUDY GROUP, IF ACCEPTED BY PRESIDENT MARCOS, WILL DETERMINE WHICH TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROJECTS ARE TO GO FORWARD. RUSH

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